NITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Atty Dkt. 900-348 In re Patent Application of C# MAY 2 8 2002 Group Art Unit: 2811 **TOKUSHIGE** Serial No. 09/660,926 Examiner: Hu, S. Date: May 28, 2002 Filed: September 13. SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME Title: **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, DC 20231 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 12 minus highest number previously paid for 21 (at least 20) = \$ 18.00 \$ 0.00 Independent claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for (at least 3) =0 \$ 84.00 0.00 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months) \$ 0.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00) \$ 0.00 Please enter the previously unentered . filed Submission attached Subtotal 0.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 0.00 Applicant claims "small entity" status. Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) \$ 0.00 \$ Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) 0.00 0.00 Other: TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED 0.00 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C. Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 By Atty: Joseph A. Rhoa, Reg. No. 37,515 Telephone: (703) 816-4000 Facsimile: (703) 816-4100

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## **AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 25, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE DRAWINGS

A proposed drawing change to Fig. 9 is attached hereto, with the proposed change being shown in red ink.

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 2, 3 and 12-21.

Please substitute the following amended claims for corresponding claims previously presented. A copy of the amended claims showing current revisions is attached.